

JUCO CAST, IN HIT MYSTERY - FARCE

Murder, suspense, and mystery, with corpses falling out of every stage door and ghosts walking the floor boards, were witnessed by a delighted audience when the curtain rose on the Joplin junior college presentation of "Arsenic and Old Lace" in the senior high school auditorium last Friday night, December 10.

The cast under the direction of Miss Fern Green, college dramatics coach, was as follows: Margaret Cox, Arthur Dilworth, Bill Claybourn, Jack Woods, Mary Lou Farmer, Betty Short, Robert Myers, Bill DeGraff, John Windle, Vincil Jesse, Keith Guthals, John Roberts and Vance R. Thralls.

Art Class Decorates Stage

Mrs. Alta Dale was music director and Arthur Boles, stage director. The program was designed by Virginia Wheeler, mimeographed by June Laird, and the stage was decorated by the art class. Sally Weygantd was business manager and Roy Fields was stage manager, assisted by Leo Brown, Galen Nash, Arthur Dilworth, Keith Guthals, Bill DeGraff, Cletis Grider, Ralph Patterson, and John Roberts. Wilma Hardin was in charge of publicity with Josephine Dinnesen assisting.

Barbara Pinnell was in charge of the make-up department with Martella Smith, Betty Ann Harner, Eleanor Philan, Joy Ordway, Charles

High School Seniors To College Mid-Term

The board of education voted to continue for the duration of the war the plan adopted last year of permitting seniors of the graduating class of Joplin high school to enter junior college or any other college or university at the beginning of the mid-term semester. Upon successful completion of their college work for the semester the seniors will be accredited with their last half year of high school work and will be awarded high school diplomas.

Taking advantage of this offer last January when it was adopted as a war emergency measure at the suggestion of the National Education Association, thirty-one high school students entered colleges at the mid-semester. Several youths who did so last January are being permitted to continue their college work since their induction into the armed services.

Galbraith and Josephine Dinnsen assisting. Vance Thralls had charge of properties, assisted by Jean Farar, Sara Jane Myers, Anna Elliott, Doris Patrick, and Wilma Hardin. Eva Taylor was in charge of costumes and book holders were Martella Smith and Betty Ann Harner.

Mary Rice was manager of the house with Shirley Cox, Shirley English, Nina Geisert, Martha Lee Troutman, Betsy Balsley, Nancy McKee and Patty Wise as ushers.

COLLEGE TAKES PART IN WASTE PAPER DRIVE



—Photo by Yeary

The waste paper turned in by the Joplin junior college in the city-wide drive last month totaled almost forty-five hundred pounds. The college received fifteen dollars for their contribution to the drive,

the money being divided between the two sororities which contested to see which could collect the most scrap paper. As winners the Tri-Beta sorority received eight dollars; the Alpha Kappa Mu sorority, seven dollars.

EDDY CITES TASKS AMERICANS FACE

To win the war, to win the peace, and to build a better world worthy of the sacrifice American boys are making, are the three tasks that the American people are faced with, according to Dr. Sherwood Eddy in his address to the junior college student body last month.

Eddy said that today he would fight because of love for his country, for the world, and for love of the Japanese, because the "obscene tyranny" of Japan must be overthrown. He continued that the Japanese have a great future but because of their misguided militarism they have a bitter lesson to learn. He was present in Nanking when the Japanese killed 3,000 civilians and he saw them attempt to poison China with traffic in opium and drugs.

Are Two World Experiments

Turning to Russia, the lecturer cited two experiments that are going on in the world today; one is Russian justice; the other, Anglo-Saxon liberty. He listed the two great evils of Russia as denial of liberty and the dogmatic atheism of a small minority. The two strong points of the Russian people are their passion for justice which has ended unemployment in the country, and their fellowship. Eddy stated that there was less race prejudice in Russia than in any other country of the world.

The world famous lecturer and traveler was brought here by the college student Christian associations in conjunction with the YMCA and YWCA student headquarters at St. Louis.

Joplin Teachers Get More Money

The board of education last week voted to substantially increase the salaries of the lower paid Joplin teachers and other school employees, the increase to become effective this month and to continue for the present year.

Teachers and other employees receiving less than \$882 per year will receive a 20 per cent increase; those receiving from \$945 to \$1,197, an increase of 15 per cent; \$1,260 to \$1,449, a 10 per cent increase, and all receiving \$1,500 or more, a 5 per cent increase. The total increase of salaries will raise the teachers' fund by \$21,951.99 and the incidental fund, from which school custodians and other employees, outside the teaching staff are paid, to \$4,546.50.

Dean H. E. Blaine To Act as Head Of City Schools

H. E. Blaine, dean of the junior college and ranking school official, took over the duties of acting head of the Joplin schools last week, to serve until early in January when a permanent successor to Captain E. A. Elliott, retiring superintendent, will be selected. Captain Elliott left Thursday before last for Charlottesville, Va., to enter army service as an educational specialist.

The board of education believed that serious consideration should be given the applications of several school administrators from Missouri, Kansas, and Oklahoma, who have applied for the superintendent's position. The board voted last week to make a canvass of the qualifications and credentials of the applicants and to take further action on the matter at the meeting of January 4, with Dean Blaine to serve in the interim. Blaine was principal of the high school more than 20 years before being named head of the junior college.

Farewell Party for Elliott

As a farewell courtesy to Captain Elliott, retiring superintendent of the city schools, the teaching staff of the Joplin public schools entertained with a reception in his honor Wednesday night, December 8, at the Scottish Rite Temple.

Talks by several school representatives and music by the senior high and junior high music departments constituted the program. Those who spoke included Dean H. E. Blaine of the junior college, Clifford H. Casey, president of the board of education; Glen R. Deatherage, principal of the senior high school; Roy W. Greer, representative of the junior high schools; and Cecil Floyd, as representative of the elementary schools.

High School Groups Sing at Junior College

Representatives of the senior high school music department presented the program at the regular college assembly period last Wednesday, December 8. Members of the choir under the direction of T. Frank Coulter gave two groups of numbers and a girls' trio and boys' quartet, under the direction of Mrs. Victor Hinton, sang several selections.

Holiday Begins Today

College will be dismissed Friday, December 17, for the Christmas holidays. Classes will be resumed Tuesday, December 28.

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Though Children May Sing

Christmas is the season of caroling—beautiful, joyous, triumphant singing. Much has been said about the poignant picture of youth as they raise their voices in song, of the choirs of mischievous, white-robed urchins forcefully and sweetly chorusing "Peace on earth, good will toward men." Yet this year, behind each hymn and Christmas carol can still be heard the echo of martial strains, the roar of artillery, and the beat of marching feet, and in many places the chaos of war has completely drowned out all singing. This Christmas there is an added significance to the singing of "Peace on earth, good will toward men"; though children's choirs may raise their voices in song, we are mindful that older youth and men still fight on.

Let's Look to the Future

The theme of post war planning has become the basic idea around which programs of many conventions are built—educational, religious, commercial, civic, industrial.

This is particularly true of all educational programs. The national government in training men and women for war activities has laid more stress on various sorts of college training than has ever been done in any previous conflict.

This has been true in the training for army, navy, marines, wacs, waves, and all others, and for all sorts of employment in auxiliary war activities. War is a great object lesson. It puts to the acid test our educational programs. So that following the war there will be many changes in all training programs. In returning to a peacetime status, the factories will change from producing war materials to the production of many types of articles used in times of peace, which had to be discontinued during war.

This has been shown to be a scientific and technical age, and as such will require more stress laid on preparation than ever before. This will include, besides the technical and scientific training, much study in social, economic, and governmental affairs. The relations between nations and peoples must be considered seriously if we are to avoid these ever recurring disasters. How to attain permanent peace, a brotherhood of nations, will call for more study. College enrollments will increase rapidly. The junior college, which was the most rapidly growing institution in the country before the war, will in all probability see a greater expansion in the return of peace.

Superintendent Elliott has announced a study of peacetime needs in every department of the school system. This will involve a re-evaluation of the curricula, a study of the needs of the community, the adjustment of training to meet these needs, as well as what can be given to meet those of the country at large.

These are problems not only for faculty members but for students, patrons, and all citizens interested in the progress of our community and the progress of civilization.

We suggest that all give thought to these matters and especially those concerning the future of our junior college. After some thought let us have your suggestions, the most valuable of which can be printed in the future issues of the Chart.

The following was clipped from Junior Chats, junior college publication of Flat River, a community in some respects similar to ours:

(Continued on page 4)

**Books Are Weapons
Of The Democracy**

Your college library is an essential link in the fight against Herr Hitler and his gang of Nazi super-wreckers. "Books are weapons" has become the rallying cry for librarians the country over. Gobbel, arch propagandist, knows that real danger comes from books in the hands of an awakened citizenry—witness the wholesale destruction of the literature of freedom in Germany. In first-hand accounts like "The Wounded Don't Cry", "Only the Stars Are Neutral", "Women of Britain", and "Modern Battle", students are learning what war really means to the man in the street.

Carl Sandburg's "The People, Yes", and Edna St. Vincent Millay's "Murder of Lidice" are words of flame from the hearts of aroused free men which speak to all men everywhere. Read the biographies, "Marian Anderson" and "George Washington Carver" and learn the truth, denied by Der Fuehrer, that genius transcends all race, that a democracy is proud of a great man or woman regardless of color or race.

Understanding of world problems is fostered by such books as: "Good Neighbors", "World Peace Plans", "Background of Our War" and "Mission to Moscow." Certainly "Twilight of France", "Strictly Personal", "This Chemical Age", "Daughter of Time", and "The Dust Which Is God" are all provocative of thought. And a thinking people will be a free people. Books are weapons to set the world free.

Dear Santa . . .

You know it's a tough job to order for over a hundred people and after Christmas there will probably be a few complaints and some trade-ins but all we can do is try.

If you have about a hundred men, size six foot, in your warehouse we'd like to have them. They must be handsome and wear well. This is the one thing that won't be traded in although we might do a little private exchanging among ourselves.

The next best thing for this department would be a key to the Spanish books. If you have one for German and French I'm sure some of the kids would appreciate them, and it doesn't matter about the cost because they're a valuable article and pretty hard to find nowadays.

The next thing on our list is a basketball team complete with victories. This order may be a little hard to fill because we've tried, but you do your best for us. Oh yes, some of them must be handsome and we already have the dates.

Could you please get a book on the New Deal for Mr. Gockel? His foreign policy seems to be a little

**Thoughts by
Scandal Light**

Once more, at the risk of getting a knife in my back, ye olde super-duper snooper will attempt to give a few reports on love-life around that well-known institution of JJC.

First thing on my list is that Josephine Dinnson is no longer going with Clark Sesler, thereby breaking up a romance of over a year. Some people say she has designs on Roy Fields' little brother. Aren't you going just a little bit to the extreme, Josie?

Talking of extremes, what goes with Wilma Hardin nowadays? We know this man shortage problem is serious, but gosh, after all. Someone ask her what's so very nice about Schifferdecker these days.

And then again when girls go out together and attempt to forget it all! We admit things are in a bad shape when a hangover is such a poor companion.

It may be old news, but the diamond that Sara Jane Myers is sporting hasn't dimmed with age. Looks like Sara is doing a little high-flying and more power to her. He hasn't got a friend, has he, Sara?

Margaret Cox showed up at play practice the other week or so ago with the most handsome "louie" this department has seen in a long time. What JJC needs is a whole regiment just like him and could you arrange it, please, Margaret?

Natalie Jones and Rita Phillips are wavering between officers and British cadets. Wish I had just a couple of little old privates to waver between.

Gee, did anyone see Edwin Hughes when he was back here on furlough? Mignon Henley seems to have had an inside track, but all the same—Oh well, might as well quit wishing!

Lillian Mendelson has a blonde from Crowder that is giving her a little trouble. Seems the guy's good looking but conceited. Lillian likes to date him, but how do you deflate an inflated ego?

Ask Clifford Smith how to get a date with a girl that insists she doesn't date. Shirley, what made you change your mind?

A note to Martha Lee—ye olde snooper would like to know what WOFOC means.

indefinite and after having delved into such a volume things may clear up a little.

Dean Blaine could use a superintendent of Joplin schools very nicely about now. He has enough to do keeping law and order around here without taking added responsibility.

Please, Santa, could we have a new song for "Paper Doll" or a muzzle for Fields and Pinnell? Confidentially, we could use a whole new duet.

And to all of us, just a big Happy New Year!

Hats Off To The Victorious High School Eagles

"Hail to the conquering heroes" should be the byline of the Joplin high school Eagles. Under circumstances that were difficult to say the least, such as three new coaches, the boys galloped on to new honors.

Instead of hurting their playing, each new coach seemed to add his bit and make the boys just that much better. We don't exactly know how it happened, but we do know that it's the first time a Joplin team has gone through a whole season undefeated for as long as anyone wants to remember.

Many coaches in the district look at the Joplin team with a baleful eye after having their records broken and in general smashed to bits. Almost at every game some member of the Joplin team was galloping across the goal line every few minutes if for no other reason than to break the monotony. It almost got to the point where we needed something to break the monotony of so many scores!

When we mention football it is hard not to keep from thinking of Snowball. Whenever you find a home game, somewhere on the field is Snowball doing his own private coaching and cheering like a whole regiment when scores pile up. He usually polishes up an afternoon by doing a jig at the half and the crowd loves it.

On the first day of October Joplin started their season by defeating Miami 6-0. The next week Lamar came down here and was scuttled by the Joplin crew 38-0. On October 13 Mountain Grove came down and we made them welcome by chalking up a 13-0 score. The team went to Vinita on the 22nd and walloped Vinita on their own home grounds 25-6. Pittsburg came over the 29th to be taken for a 33-7 loss. St. Joseph received about the same treatment with the score ending 37-7. The main event of the year was the annual Thanksgiving game with Springfield. Everyone kept their fingers crossed and the score came out 53-12 and the season was over with Joplin way on top.

This most certainly is an enviable record and here's the Chart's salute to each and every member of the team. You played a grand season and more power to you for next year.

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BOYS VISIT COLLEGE ON FURLoughs

Joplin junior college is not forgotten by the boys who have gone from its college lecture classes to serve in the armed forces of their country. The following have visited the college on furloughs during the past month or have written to Dean Blaine or other members of the faculty:

Ralph Newby, graduate '42, chemical engineer, Iowa State college, Ames, Iowa.

Warren Bellas, graduate '42, army air corps, Salt Lake City, Utah.

James R. Baysinger, graduate '42, crew chief, army air corps, Midland, Texas.

Jack Parker, ranger-PFC, Camp Butler, N. C.

Robert Preston, radioman, army air corps, recently transferred from Sioux Falls, South Dakota, to Fort Wayne, Indiana.

Lonny Chapman, marine sergeant, stationed at Guadalcanal, New Zealand.

Robert F. Dutton, graduate '41, Lt. ground officer of army air corps, Oklahoma City, Okla.

Duke Wallace, graduate '39, chief pharmacist's mate, U. S. N. R., North Africa.

Bob Rousselot, navy air corps, Norman-Pensacola.

Wilfred Snyder, army medical corps, PFC, laboratory technical school, Fitzsimons General hospital, Denver, Colo.

Sergeant Edward Farmer, graduate '40, A. S. T. U., Washington U., St. Louis, Mo.

Richard Aikin, after fourteen weeks basic training at Ft. Leonard Wood, assigned A. S. T. P. in University of Cincinnati to go on with engineering.

Robert S. Rice, Lt. army air corps, graduated Williams Field, army advanced flying school, Chandler, Arizona, December 5, 1943.

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Kappa Girls Give Thanksgiving Skit

"The Courtship of Miles Standish," a skit showing the 1620 and 1943 versions of the well-known story, formed the program of this year's Thanksgiving assembly sponsored by the Alpha Kappa Mu sorority, Wednesday, November 24.

In the new version of the story, Betty Dale Russell took the part of Priscilla Lane, and Martella Smith, the part of John Alden; in the old version, Billie Plumlee portrayed the heroine and Francis Jones, the hero. Rosamund Burk was reader and Phyllis Jones and Unice Gatliff, props.

Music selections were presented by the school orchestra and Pauline Selsor read the president's Thanksgiving proclamation. Naomi Pendergraft was leader of the responsive reading.

FRESHMAN GIRLS ARE NURSES AIDS

Jean Lee Farrar and Lelia Holman, freshman girls at the Joplin junior college, have enrolled in the nurses aid course sponsored by the Red Cross and the Freeman hospital.

The two girls spend three nights a week receiving their instruction from Mrs. Alice Wilson, the basic training period including 35 hours theory and 45 hours practice. Nurses aids are required to give 150 hours of service a year in the city hospitals.

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In cooperation with the nursing school of St. John's hospital, the Joplin junior college for the second year is furnishing a part of the student nurses' academic training. Miss Edna Drummond of the college faculty instructs the girls during the week in anatomy, chemistry, and hygiene.

The nurses' group, composed completely of out-of-towners, includes the following eight girls: Ella Mae Fox, Commerce, Okla.; Dorothy Howell, Claremore, Okla.; Ailene Logan, Noel; Bettie Jean Pitts, Granby; Jeanne Pollack, Carthage; Murta Louise Richardson, Asbury; Jerry Nan Sparlin, Miami, Okla.; Josephine Willard, Riverton.

Tri-Betas Initiate Two New Members

The Beta Beta Beta sorority held initiation services for two new members, Nina Gesert and Josephine Dinneson, at the home of Nancy Sanders, Monday, November 29. At the business meeting which followed the members decided to volunteer to go to Kansas City with the next bus load of blood donors from Joplin.

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Jean Wommack, president of the college YWCA and vice-president of the sophomore class and the Beta sorority. Jean is a business student but she hopes some day to say good-by to typing, shorthand and office machines and buy herself a farm. She is a "medal" tennis player, and also takes active part in basketball, bowling, and baseball.

Sally Weygandt, business manager of the Crossroads, and of the fall production, "Arsenic and Old Lace." A freshman, Sally says the thing that keeps her busiest is being "nice to Beta members." She likes "Sinatra," but prefers Bing Crosby. Her ambition is to be a professional accordianist.

Mary Lou Farmer, president of the Beta sorority, and of the Dramatics Club, and YWCA representative to the Missouri Area leadership conference. She likes chocolate cake, dancing, and sleeping on the floor. Her ambition is to be six feet tall; her height at present, five feet, eleven inches.

Bob Myers, business manager of the chart, and vice-president of the freshman class. One of the college's new out-of-town students, Bob hails from Webb City, and has been an announcer at WMBH since August. He likes to debate, dance, and drink milk, which might account for those broad shoulders. His main worry is keeping the hair out of his eyes.

Rosamund Burk, president of the Alpha Kappa Mu sorority and of the Teachers of Tomorrow, student teachers' organization at the college. Specializing in history, Rosamund is studying to be an elementary grade school teacher. She likes round steak, dancing, and Norman Watson.

Wilma Hardin, associate editor of the Chart, and publicity manager of the fall production. Wilma is studying to be a foreign correspondent,

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Famous Pianist On Town Hall

Students of Joplin junior college that attended the concert of Alexander Brailowsky, world famous pianist, were treated to a rare exhibition of ivory skill as he openend the concert December 5 with his own interpretation of "The Star Spangled Banner."

Considered at his best in his interpretation of Chopin, his favorite composer, Brailowsky gave an entire section of his program and part of his seven encores to that composer. Chopin's "Ecossaise" opus 72 was his first encore for the enthusiastic audience. "Fantasy Impromptu," "Ballade in G Minor," "Nocturne," "Polonaise" and other Chopin selections were played with a strength that brought out all their entrancing romance.

DeFalla's "Ritual of the Fire," was highly colorful and found favor with the audience, as did his concluding selection, Liszt's "Hungarian Rhapsody" No. 6.

At the close of the program the concertist reappeared and pleased his audience with six encores, including "E Minor Waltz" (Chopin), "G Minor Prelude" (Rachmaninoff), "Music Box" (Liadoff), "Etude" (Chopin), "Flight of the Bumblebee" (Rimsky-Korsakov) and a Brahms' waltz.

Brailowsky presented a concert here during one of his early American tours and many persons were in the audience to welcome him a second time. Music enthusiasts attended from throughout the Four-State district.

and at present is a reporter on the Joplin Globe. She likes Italian spaghetti and musicians. Her favorite piece is "Six Flats Unfurnished," and her life's ambition is to find a man who can do an authentic tango.

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LET'S LOOK TO THE FUTURE

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"Predicting the future is somewhat like the legendary 'jump in the dark', but it seems likely that the junior college could make use of a new building after the war period has ended. Several persons each year inquire about dormitory facilities for girls.

"It is believed that we should have a combination dormitory, for girls, and a cafeteria. The building would have three stories. The cafeteria would be located on the first or semi-basement floor. This cafeteria would serve the whole school at noon and would serve only dormitory residents at breakfast and dinner.

"Half of the second floor would contain a large reception room for social purposes and the other half would contain rooms for the matron and for some of the girls. The third floor would be devoted exclusively to girls' rooms. The building should accomodate about twenty-five girls."

Editor's note: The above was submitted by Dean H. E. Blaine of the college for publication in this issue of the Chart. Let's do as he says by giving thought "to these matters and especially to those concerning the future of our junior college."

Religious Educator Talks to YWCA Girls

Dr. Schoengert, Methodist religious educator, spoke of nearsightedness and living in the present as one of the dangers of life, in his talk to the college YWCA at their regular noon meeting last Tuesday.

The educator said that youth should prepare for the future and for the peace that will come with it. He cited three things that will be required of the youth of the future: the ability to think, the ability to make friends, and the possession of character.

Business Women Hear Junior College Debate

A special feature of the meeting of the Business and Professional Woman's club last month at the Olivia was a debate by the students of the Joplin junior college. "Resolved that legislation should be enacted to insure equal wages for men and women doing comparable work" was the subject for the debate with Betty Short and Billy James taking the affirmative and Robert Myers and Vance Thralls speaking for the negative.

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